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SUBJ: IE SHIMA INCIDENT - FURTHER OKINAWAN REACTIONS

SUMMARY: THE OKINAWAN PRESS CONTINUES TO GIVE FIRST STORY
COVERAGE TO THE IE SHIMA AIR FORCE AERIAL RANGE INCIDENT,

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MAINLY NOW ON THE ACTION IN TOKYO. END SUMMARY.

1. THE LOCAL PRESS JULY 31 CONTINUED ITS VERY HEAVY COVERAGE
OF THE IE SHIMA SHOOTING INCIDENT, INCLUDING EDITORIALS IN BOTH
PAPERS DENOUNCING THE OCCUPATION MENTALITY OF THE U. S. FORCES,
CALLOUSNESS TO HUMAN RIGHTS, THE SOFA ITSELF, ETC., ETC. THE
MAIN STORIES CONCERNED THE DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUE IN THE U. S.-JAPAN
JOINT COMMITTEE. THEY NOTED THAT THE AMERICAN AND JAPANESE SIDES
WERE IN COMPLETE OPPOSITION OVER THE ISSUE OF WHETHER THE INCIDENT
TOOK PLACE ON OFFICIAL DUTY OR NOT. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE
QUOTED AS SAYING THAT, BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THE JAPANESE POLICE

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INVESTIGATION, IN THE COMING MEETINGS OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON

CRIMINAL JURISDICTION, THEY WOULD PUSH HARD THEIR CONVICTION THAT THE INCIDENT DID NOT INVOLVE OFFICIAL DUTY. THE ARTICLE WENT ON TO SPECULATE THAT THE IMPASSE WOULD FINALLY HAVE TO BE RESOLVED BY A DECISION AT THE POLITICAL LEVEL. THE NEWSPAPERS ALSO CARRIED EDITORIAL COMMENT DENOUNCING THE SECRECY OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN THE FACE OF THE AMERICANS.

2. COMMENT: THE MAIN INTEREST OF THE LOCAL PRESS OVER THIS NEXT STAGE WILL PROBABLY BE ON HOW STRONGLY THE GOVERNMENT APPEARS TO PRESERVE THE ISSUE OF JURISDICTION.

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